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The Honorable J. Dennis Hastert Speaker of the House of Representatives U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

On behalf of the Secretary of Defense, I have approved Captain Jon W. Bayless, Jr. to wear the insignia of rear admiral (lower half) in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777. This approval will not be executed prior to the expiration of the required 30-day congressional notification period and will not cause the Department to exceed the number of frocked officers authorized. The Senate previously confirmed Captain Bayless to the grade of rear admiral (lower half). Captain Bayless is projected for promotion in October 2004.

Sincerely,

Charles S. Abell Principal Deputy

cc:

Chairman,
House Armed Services Committee
Ranking Member,
House Armed Services Committee

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